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TO: Training Officers of DDI, DDP and DDS

PRINCIPLES OF OVERSEAS EFFECTIVENESS

Principles of Overseas Effectiveness, which will be conducted by OTR's Language and Area School from 5 to 16 March, is designed to provide a better understanding and knowledge of the problems of inter-personal and inter-societal relationships in overseas assignments, whether operational or in a support capacity. Working on the premise that Agency assignments abroad depend upon the successful and effective relationships Agency personnel have with foreign nationals within the framework of their own or other foreign cultures and societies, this course offers a study of methods used in the behavioral sciences for studying and understanding the actions and reactions of individuals as individuals and individuals grouped into societies and the application of those methods to the practical problems of work and life in other countries. The basic emphasis will be on the practical aspects of the problem. Although the problems of personal adjustment to living abroad will be touched upon because effective work does depend to a considerable extent upon successful adjustment, the major theme will be that of more efficient and more effective discharge of Agency responsibilities.

There is pre-course reading, and kits will be sent to students by OTR. Classes will meet in Room 2232, Washington Building Annex, Arlington Towers. Questions on course content should be directed to Chief, LAS/TR, on extension 3065.

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